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37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket Number 80121-05730

First Named Inventor Michael C. Stewart

Title VESSEL HARVESTING APPARATUS  
AND METHOD

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (in duplicate)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27
3. ☒ Specification Total Pages 89  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference(s) to Related Case(s)
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawing(s)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim or Claims
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets 21
5. Oath or Declaration
  - a. ☒ New Declaration Total Pages     
☐ Executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
    - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority  
is claimed)
9. ☒ Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement & PTO-1449  
☐ Copies of IDS Citation(s)
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